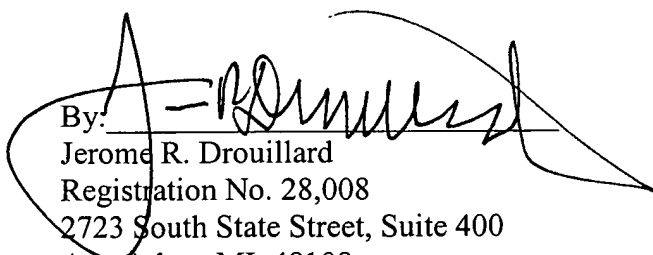


REMARKS

Claims 1 – 6, 8 – 10, and 12 – 20 are in the application. By this amendment, Claims 1 and 10 are amended, and Claims 7 and 11 are cancelled. Claims 17 – 20 have been allowed.

Claims 1 – 6, 10 and 14 – 15 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Block et al, U.S. Patent 3,812,872. However, Claims 7 and 10 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but allowable if rewritten in independent form. As a result, Claim 1 has been amended by incorporating the substance of Claim 7 therein and Claim 10 has been amended by incorporating the substance of Claim 11 therein. As such, Claims 1 and 10 both recite that the drain plug of Applicants' reservoir is activated in response to not only sensed temperature, but also in response to a fluid level signal. As such, Claims 1 and 10 are now allowable, as are each of the other claims remaining in this case, and this case should be passed to issue. Such action is earnestly solicited.

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